

AMENDED IN SENATE APRIL 17, 2013

SENATE BILL

No. 535

Introduced by Senator Nielsen

February 21, 2013

An act to amend Section 1799.2 of the Health and Safety Code, relating to emergency medical services.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 535, as amended, Nielsen. Commission on Emergency Medical Services.

Existing law, the Emergency Medical Services System and the Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act, requires the Commission on Emergency Medical Services, which consists of 18 members, to perform various duties regarding the Emergency Medical Services Authority and emergency medical services.

The bill would increase the membership of the commission from 18 to ~~19~~ 20 members. The bill would require the additional ~~member~~ *members* to be an air ambulance representative appointed by the ~~Speaker of the Assembly~~ *Senate Committee on Rules* from a list of 3 names submitted by the California Association of Air Medical Services, *and a representative appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly from a public agency that provides air rescue and transport.*

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 1799.2 of the Health and Safety Code is
2 amended to read:

1799.2. The commission shall consist of ~~19~~ 20 members appointed as follows:

(a) One full-time physician and surgeon, whose primary practice is emergency medicine, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules from a list of three names submitted by the California Chapter of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

(b) One physician and surgeon, who is a trauma surgeon, appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly from a list of three names submitted by the northern and southern California chapters of the American College of Surgeons.

(c) One physician and surgeon appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules from a list of three names submitted by the California Medical Association.

(d) One county health officer appointed by the Governor from a list of three names submitted by the California Conference of Local Health Officers.

(e) One registered nurse, who is currently, or has been previously, authorized as a mobile intensive care nurse and who is knowledgeable in state emergency medical services programs and issues, appointed by the Governor from a list of three names submitted by the Emergency Nurses Association.

(f) One full-time paramedic or EMT-II, who is not employed as a full-time peace officer, appointed by the Senate Committee on Rules from a list of three names submitted by the California Rescue and Paramedic Association.

(g) One prehospital emergency medical service provider from the private sector, appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly from a list of three names submitted by the California Ambulance Association.

(h) One management member of an entity providing fire protection and prevention services appointed by the Governor from a list of three names submitted by the California Fire Chiefs Association.

(i) One physician and surgeon who is board prepared or board certified in the specialty of emergency medicine by the American Board of Emergency Medicine and who is knowledgeable in state emergency medical services programs and issues appointed by the Speaker of the Assembly.

1 (j) One hospital administrator of a base hospital who is appointed
2 by the Governor from a list of three names submitted by the
3 California Association of Hospitals and Health Systems.

4 (k) One full-time peace officer, who is either an EMT-II or a
5 paramedic, who is appointed by the Governor from a list of three
6 names submitted by the California Peace Officers' Association.

7 (l) Two public members who have experience in local
8 emergency medical services (*EMS*) policy issues, at least one of
9 whom resides in a rural area as defined by the authority, and who
10 are appointed by the Governor.

11 (m) One administrator from a local EMS agency appointed by
12 the Governor from a list of four names submitted by the Emergency
13 Medical Services Administrators' Association of California.

14 (n) One medical director of a local EMS agency who is an active
15 member of the Emergency Medical Directors Association of
16 California and who is appointed by the Governor.

17 (o) One person appointed by the Governor, who is an active
18 member of the California State Firefighters' Association.

19 (p) One person who is employed by the Department of Forestry
20 and Fire Protection (CAL-FIRE) appointed by the Governor from
21 a list of three names submitted by the California Professional
22 Firefighters.

23 (q) One person who is employed by a city, county, or special
24 district that provides fire protection appointed by the Governor
25 from a list of three names submitted by the California Professional
26 Firefighters.

27 (r) One air ambulance representative appointed by the ~~Speaker~~
28 ~~of the Assembly~~ *Senate Committee on Rules* from a list of three
29 names submitted by the California Association of Air Medical
30 Services.

31 (s) *One representative from a public agency that provides air*
32 *rescue and transport to be appointed by the Speaker of the*
33 *Assembly.*